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### *Legislative Update*

#### ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR HOMELAND DEFENSE

#### **DOD SUPPORT FOR HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2005, AS OF 0900**

#### **National Guard Bureau**

##### **Command and Control**

- U.S. Northern Command Commander is Admiral Keating in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- Joint Task Force Katrina Commander is Lieutenant General Honore at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.
- Joint Task Force Louisiana National Guard Commander is Major General Landreneau, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Joint Task Force Mississippi National Guard Commander is Major General Cross at Jackson, Mississippi.

##### **Operational Highlights**

- 45,420 National Guard personnel are on the ground or aboard ships supporting relief operations.
  - 39,468 Army National Guard
  - 5,952 Air National Guard
  - 336 Air Force Reserve
- LA National Guard:
  - Conducting security, evacuation, and rescue operations.
  - Support the Corps of Engineers in levee repair.
  - Providing support to 12 Red Cross Shelter
- MS National Guard:
  - Conducting water and ice distribution operations.
  - Conducting security, debris removal/clearing operations
  - Established airlift control operations.
  - Handing out 3,000 AM/FM radios; 10,000 additional en route
  - Providing support to 7 Red Cross Shelters
- Total National Guard aviation support includes:
  - 180 helicopters.
  - 23 airplanes.



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- National Guard has provided extensive search and rescue, evacuation, and medical support:
  - 7979 sorties flown – 313 in the past 24-hours.
  - 53,368 people evacuated – 2,093 in the past 24 hours.
  - 11,086 people rescued – 152 in the past 24 hours.